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ALABAMA BAPTIST HISTORICAL SOCIETY

MINUTES

—OF THE—

SELMA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

WITH THE

BETHANY CHURCH, LOWNDES COUNTY, ALABAMA.

1893.

B. F. ELLIS, Moderator, Orrville, Ala.
J. E. BARNES, Secretary, Selma, Ala.
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Selma Printing Company.
1893.

Next Session to be held with Hopewell Church, Lowndes County, Ala., Tuesday, before the Second Sunday in August, 1894.

PREACHERS.

Introductory Sermon, by I. A. White.
Missionary Sermon, by W. J. Elliott.

COMMITTEES TO REPORT.

On State Missions—H. S. D. Mallory, D B. Edwards, Lewis Johnson.

On Home Missions—J. M. Fortune, Jos. Swink, A. D. Lawhon.

On Foreign Missions—W. J. Elliott, Miles Hardy, G. K. Bradley.

On Sunday Schools—W. R. Hardy, Geo. W. Coker, W. F. Mosely.

Temperance—A. Edwards, T. M. Johnson, M. H. Traylor.

Education—J. J. Pipkin, J. L. Purifoy, J. W. Bailey.

Ministerial Education—I. A. White, W. P. Welch, J. R. Crumpton.

Literature—A. J. Dickinson, W. C. Stewart, J. E. Barnes.

Womans Work—W. D. Hubbard, S. W. Quarles, C. Rhodes.

Orphans Home—J. L. Hinson, Law Lamar, J. B. Ellis.

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PROCEEDINGS.

FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION.

1. The Selma Baptist Associatoin convened in its eleventh annual session with Bethany Church, Lowndes county, August 8th, 1893.

2. The devotional exercises were conducted by W. G. Curry.

3. The Association was then called to order by the Moderator, B. F. Ellis.

4. On motion J. E. Barnes was elected temporary Secretary.

5. On motion a committee on enrollment was appointed, consisting of H. S. D. Mallory, J. R. Crumpton and C. C. Cleveland, who reported as follows:

6. Ash Creek, G. K. Bradley; Benton, *W. H. May and *Wm. Debardelaben; Bethany, A. Edwards, E. Lyon, R. A. Arnold, J. W. Todd and J. C. Fortune; Centre Ridge, *R. W. Watson, Jos. Swink, *B. F. Burton; Mt. Gilead, A. D. Lawhon; M. H. Traylor, W. D. S. Morgan, Jas. Bryant, W. E. Mealing; Orrville, B. F. Ellis, A. G. Moseley, R. B. Hare, Geo. W. Burt; Pleasant Hill, W. R. Hardy, J. R. Crumpton, J. W. Bailey, F. C. Riggs, H. N. Crumpton; Providence, *J. M. Ellis, B. P. Moseley, R. J. Hines. T. W. Berry; Selma, F. W. Lamar, C. C. Cleveland, J. J. Babcock, J. M. McIver, H. S. D. Mallory, Frank Hudson; Shiloh, D. B. Edwards, Sr., Henry Miles, P. W. Johnson, T. E, Whatley, D. B. Edwards, Jr.; Sister Springs, M. L. Grumbles, E. Rhodes, Robert Smoke, Jas. Hooper; Town Creek, Miles Hardy, R. B. Hardy, J. F. Ellis, R. S. Ellis, R, D. Stewart.

7. The following permanent officers were elected, to-wit. Moderator, B. F, Ellis; Treasurer, J. F. Ellis; Secretary, J. E. Barnes.

8. J. M. Fortune, A. D. Lawhon and D. B. Edwards, Sr.. were appointed a Committee on Program for this session.

9. A. J. Dickinson preached the introductory sermon from Mat. 13:45-46, after which the Association adjourned, with prayer by W. J. Elliott, for a recess of one hour and a half.

*Absent.

Afternoon Session.

10. The Association reassembled promptly, and after singing, S. J, Catts led in prayer.

11. Visitors were received as follows: From the State Board of Missions, W. B. Crumpton; from Judson Institute, S. W. Averett; from Howard College, A. W. McGaha; from Alabama Baptist, W. C. Hare; from Alabama Association, Richard Thomas, J. M. Dickinson, T. L. S. Grace, M. Powell; from Montgomery Association, S. J. Catts.

12. Application for membership in the Association was made by Hopewell Baptist Church of Mt. Willing upon letter from the Alabama Association. The church was represented by the following: A. D. Coleman, J. R. Whittle, J. A. Coleman, Geo. W. Noble, J. L. Hinson, W. Ray and Geo. W. Coker, and on motion was received, the Moderator, in behalf of the Association, extending to the delegates the right hand of fellowship.

13. Vacancies in standing commitees were filled as follows:

Foreign Missions—W. D. Hubbard.

Ministerial Education—W. J. Elliott.

14. J. M. Fortune made the following

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

Your Committee on State Missions report: That never in the history of the Board has its field for usefulness and the importance of its work been greater; and never have the demands upon its resources been more pressing than now. The rapid development of our material interests, the influx of a heterogeneous population, the menacing political agitations of the day, and the increasing gravity of the negro question, all unite in loud calls to us to give the Board the means for maintaining the gospel, which is so essential to our safety, prosperity, and the only hope of salvation.

The report of the Board at the last session of the State Convention showed that 10 missionaries were being employed, either for all or part of their time, who delivered 2,708 sermons and addresses, constituted 12 churches, organized 50 Sunday Schools, 29 ladies' missionary societies and 28 prayer meetings, baptized 466 persons, besides doing a great deal of other work that cannot be mentioned in this report. Respectfully submitted.

J. M. FORTUNE, Chairman.

The report was discussed by W. B. Crumpton, S. J. Catts, A. J. Dickinson and J. J. Pikpin, and adopted.

15. Report on Home Missions was presented by A. J. Dickinson, as follows:

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

Your Committee on Home Missions would report that while it is impossible to give any accurate statement of the work of the Board, owing to the mixing in its report of its own peculiar work and that of co-operative agencies, yet we have every reason to believe that the Board has been greatly blessed

of God and is being used of him for the good of our Southland. In Cuba the work has grown and is spreading. The Havana house has been paid for in full, and the churches are growing more slowly and solidly.

Two churches in New Orleans, owned by the Board, are now under the pastoral care of Drs. D. D. and Jno Purser, formerly of our own State, and great progress is reported.

Among the foreign population of Missouri and Louisiana the Board is also operating while it still supplements the work of the State Boards of Arkansas, Texas and other States where Baptists are few. This is the medium through which Alabama, which is strong in the gospel, must bear the infirmities of these States, which are weak.

Respectfully submitted. A. J. Dickinson, Chairman.

The report was adopted after discussion by W. B. Crumpton and A. J. Dickinson.

16. The following committees were appointed to report this session:

Finance—J. R. Crumpton, C. C. Cleveland and Geo. W. Burt.

Woman's Work—J. J. Pipkin, E. Lyon and Jas. Bryant.

Nominations—A. D. Lawhon, R. J. Hines and R. B. Hare.

Time and Place—Miles Hardy, Jos. Swink, P. W. Johnson.

Apportionment—D. B. Edwards, Sr., H. N. Crumpton, T. W. Berry.

State of Religion in Churches—A. J. Dickinson, A. G. Moseley, J. M. Fortune.

17. Adjourned to meet at 9 o'clock a. m., Wednesday, August 9.

Benediction by A. W. McGaha.

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SECOND DAY—Morning Session.

18 At the appointed time the Association convened. The devotional exercises were conducted by A. G. Moseley.

19. Ten minutes being granted for the transaction of miscellaneous business, A. J. Dickinson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That this Association has heard with gratification of an organized movement to collect, preserve, and write the history of the Baptists of Alabama, and welcomes this new undertaking as one which can only be fruitful of great good, and wishing to do what it can to promote the end therein had in view, would request each of the churches to have prepared by the most competent person available, a sketch of its history and send it to the next session of this body. We would also commend the Alabama Baptist Historical Society to our people, and urge many to become members thereof, which may be done by the payment of one dollar to its treasurer. That a committee of three be appointed by the Moderator to bring the above requests to the attention of the churches and report the result to the next session of this body.

As recommended by the above resolution the following committee was appointed: A. J. Dickinson, I. A. White and J. M. Fortune.

W. J. Elliott presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Rev. A. W. McGaha, D. D., has been elected President of Howard College by the Board of Trustees; and

WHEREAS, his election to that position has met the hearty approval of the faculty, the students and the people generally; therefore, be it

Resolved, That this Association approve the action of the Board of Trustees in electing Dr. McGaha to this position, and that we do all we can to bring success to this institution.

20. J. F. Ellis, Treasurer, made the following report, which was referred to the Finance Committee:

REPORT OF TREASURER.

J. F. Ellis, in account with Selma Association:

1893.		Dr.	
Aug. 10, 1892.	Amount from Finance Committee.....		$104 02
	Dr.		
" 10, 1892.	By voucher No. 1, from W. B. Crumpton.....	$30 21	
" 10, 1892.	" No. 2, " "	12 68	
" 10, 1892.	" No. 3, " "	39 09	
" 10, 1892.	" No. 4, " "	2 29	
" 10, 1893,	" from W. F. Moseley, for minutes.....	19 75	—$104 02

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. ELLIS,
Treasurer Selma Association.

August 8th, 1893.

Chairman of Finance Committee reported correct. Adopted.

21. A. D. Lawhon presented the following

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Your Committee on Temperance beg to report, that being temperate in all things is progress in the right direction, and when we use the word "temperance" in this report we mean the generally accepted signification of abstaining from the use of intoxicating liquors.

What remuneration comes to us for the expenditure of money for the seething liquid fire? Ask our homes of sorrow, of shame, of bereavement, of broken vows and utter helplessness. Ask our city prisons, our jails and our insane asylums. All filled with victims of strong drink. Carefully collected statistics have demonstrated

1. That about 41 per cent. of all cases of insanity spring from intemperance.

2. That the moderate use of strong drink shortens human life abont 50 per cent.

3. That 75 per cent. of all the cases in our criminal courts may be traced directly or indirectly to intemperance.

4. That two-thirds of all exclusions from Christian churches are traceable to the same cause.

5. That seventy-five in every hundred who begin the use of ardent spirits moderately, become habitual drunkards.

6. That if the amount of money, the value of time, the waste of energy, the cost of criminal prosecutions, the support of paupers, wasted and consumed in the traffic and use of spiritous liquors in the United States in one year, could be secured in money, and devoted to the spread of the gospel, every nation and people on earth might be amply supplied with the glorious message. The Apostle Paul says: "It is good neither to eat meat nor to drink wine or any thing whereby thy brother stumbleth, is offended, or is made weak." And "if eating meat make my brother to offend, I will eat no more meat while the world standeth." Therefore.

Resolved, 1. That it is the sense of this body that no member who is drinking liquor to excess, or selling it, should retain his membership in any Baptist church.

Resolved 2. That we, as an Association, speak out in unmistakable terms against the use of intoxicating beverages, and enforce more rigid discipline among our members. Respectfully submitted.

A. D. LAWHON, Chairman.

The report was adopted after discussion by A. D. Lawhon, J. M. McIver, W. B. Crumpton, S. J. Catts, W. J. Elliott and J. M. Fortune.

22. S. J. Catts presented the following report on education, the discussion of which was postponed till after the noon recess.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Education is the training of the minds of the young both intellectually and morally in those things that will strengthen them for life's work. The problems of this age are great, and ignorance is unable to cope with the mighty barrier that has progress and development. The man who does not educate his child in this age of the world simply consigns him to a back seat and to be a hewer of wood and drawer of water. The subject of education is receiving more attention at this time than ever before. The subject of compulsory education is now being agitated, which is an education supported by the State and counties, and mass meetings are being held to ascertain the sense of the people. No less are the different denominations pressing their institutions upon the attention of the people. How necessary then that *loyalty* to our own institutions characterize our conduct towards them. We have two schools that are pre-eminently Baptistic in all that pertains to their management, and are officially connected with the Alabama State Convention. We refer to the Judson Female Institute, of Marion, and to Howard College, located at East Lake.

At its last session, the State Convention recommended that we raise $50.000 as an endowment fund for Howard College. We recommend that a committee of five, viz: A. J. Dickinson, I. A. White, J. M. Fortune, W. D. Hubbard and H. S. D. Mallory, be appointed to work up this interest, and to bring the matter of endowment before the Association. Respectfully submitted.

S. J. CATTS, Chairman.

23. W. J. Elliott introduced the following resolution:

WHEREAS, A Baptist Orphans' Home has been organized in the State and recognized as a necessity; therefore, be it

Resolved, 1. That the Selma Association declares itself in fullest sympathy and active co-operation with this enterprise.

Resolved. 2. That this body appoint a standing committee to report on the Orphans' Home at every session of this body, and that all money for this purpose be sent to Rev. J. W. Steward, at Evergreen, Ala.

24. W. D. Hubbard preached the missionary sermon at 11 o'clock (I. A. White being absent) from Judges 7:20. A collection was taken for Foreign missions, amounting to $18.72 cash.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

25. W. J. Elliott read the report on Ministerial Education, which was considered jointly with that on education (see Sec. 22) according to a previous motion. The report is as follows:

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

Our reports hitherto have been so explicit on the subject of ministerial education that we deem it unnecessary to present arguments to prove the necessity of an educated ministry. The age is progressive, the minds of the people are becoming more analytical. Hence the demand from all quarters is for an intelligent and consecrated ministry, men of good common sense, who can instruct the people whom they serve, understanding the people and their wants, spiritual and intellectual, and are willing to give themselves wholly to the work. Such men are in demand and they will be supported by the churches.

It is a source of regret that our contributions to the Board of Ministerial Education have not been sufficient to meet the necessary expenses. The Board raised during the last Associational year $2,415, and had under its care at Howard College twenty-two (22) ministerial students; at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, eight (8); at high schools, three (3). Besides these, a number of students have been educated by individuals and associations independent of the Board of Ministerial Education. The indebtedness of the Board to-day for last session is $912. Your committee urge the churches to sympathise with the Board prayerfully and support it liberally with contributions to be paid in November and February. All contributions for this purpose should be sent to brother Geo. W. Ellis, Secretary and Treasurer, Montgomery, Ala.

We heartily commend to the notice of all who feel called of God to preach the gospel, the claims of Howard College and the Seminary at Louisville.

Respectfully submitted, W. J. ELLIOTT, Chairman.

After a discussion of the reports by A. W. McGaha, S. W. Averett, W. D. Hubbard and W. B. Crumpton, they were adopted.

26. The report on State of Religion in the churches was presented by A. J. Dickinson, and after amendment, adopted as follows:

REPORT ON STATE OF RELIGION IN THE CHURCHES.

Your Committee on State of Religion in the Churches, would report that eight churches have held revival services during the past year, and the statistics show that these are also those which also report baptisms; while five report no revival, three of them having no baptisms, and the other two only three. This experience of the churches speaks in no uncertain tone in favor of special efforts for the outpouring of the spirit. Our people cannot afford to neglect these special services, and your committee would suggest that all churches during next year have special services for the purpose of reaching the unsaved. There have been in all sixty-three baptisms reported, which is more than double the number of last year. Nine churches report a good and

healthful state of religion, three report a poor state of piety, and one *very* poor. Ash Creek church petitions the Association for financial help in sustaining its pastor. Your committee, after investigating, would recommend that the Executive Board endeavor to raise among the churches a fund for this purpose of Associational missions to be expended through the State Board of Missions. Six churches with 56 baptisms report prayer-meetings, and seven with only six baptisms report none.

There is great need of taking immediate steps to encourage some of the oldest churches, and to press the work in their territory, or we will lose our heritage and be supplanted by other more aggressive denominations.

Respectfully submitted, A. J. Dickinson, Chairman.

27. The Report on Literature was presented by W. R. Hardy, and after discussion by J. M. Fortune, was adopted.

REPORT ON LITERATURE.

Your Committee on Literature report that the literature of our denomination has been much improved within the last few years; but would recommend that this body suggest a more simple and comprehensive catechism be prepared for the infant class, and that these catechisms be of a general character and not confined to the lessons for the more advanced classes. We would also recommend that all literature be gotten from our Book and Bible Depository, located, for the present, at Opelika, Alabama, with J. B Collier, Corresponding Secretary, where it can be had at the same prices as elsewhere, thus benefiting our mission cause.

Respectfully submitted, W. R. Hardy, Chairman.

28. Adjourned to meet Thursday morning at 9 o'clock. Benediction by W. J. Elliott.

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THIRD DAY—Morning Session.

29. The Association convened promptly at the appointed hour, and the devotional exercises were conducted by J. J. Hagood.

30. J. M. Fortune offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the State Board of Missions be requested to place a suitable colporteur in each Association in the State as soon as practicable.

31. The report presented by W. D. Hubbard on Foreign Missions, is as follows:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

In considering this subject one's thoughts go back to the time when Jesus led the little band of disciples out as "far as Bethany," breathed on them his parting blessing and gave them power to go and disciple the nations. That command has not been revoked, and what God has promised he will perform. Do we really believe this? We have only to read the reports of the work done during the past year and see what has been accomplished against fearful odds, and how our laborers are pushing their way into the whitest fields and continually calling for men to fully realize how God is blessing our efforts. But after

all, our greatest need is not for men, but for *money* to send those who are ready and waiting to be sent. We recommend the *Foreign Mission Journal* to the churches. Fraternally submitted, W. D. HUBBARD, Chairman.

Adopted after discussion by A. W. McGaha, W. B. Crumpton and W. D. Hubbard.

32. H. S. D Mallory read the report on Sunday Schools, as follows:

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

By comparing the letters of the churches to the present session of the Association with those of last year, we find a material increase of our Sunday schools. But this increase is confined to four of the churches, which four report an aggregate gain of 109. While four others report an aggregate loss of 43. The net gain being 66. The churches report in the aggregate 102 officers and 548 pupils, in all 650 members.

This year all the churches send in reports of their Sunday schools, while last year only nine make reports of same. It is gratifying to note that every church has its Sunday school.

We again commend to the churches in the bounds of this Association, the literature issued by the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. It is fully up to the best Sunday school literature of the time, being prepared and issued by Baptist scholars, who rank among the purest, ablest and most orthodox of our leaders. The only source of revenue of this Board is the profit derived from the sale of this literature, hence the necessity for the churches in the bounds of the Southern Baptist Convention to patronize it. The State Board of Missions of our State Convention have under consideration a proposition to recommend to the next State Convention the appointment of a State Sunday School Evangelist to visit our churches and aid in the establishment of schools in churches having none. We endorse this proposed action and believe that good will result from it, if properly pressed. The Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention has signified a willingness to co-operate with our State Board of Missions in the support of this evangelist.

We recommend to the churches the use of envelopes in taking regular collections in the Sunday school, and as far as possible have each pupil contribute something, however small, every meeting, and understand the same as an offering to the Lord, to be expended, under his blessing, in sending the gospel to the destitute portions of our own land and to the heathen.

Fraternally submitted, H. S. D. MALLORY, Chairman.

Adopted after discussion by H. S. D. Mallory and W. B. Crumpton.

33. Report on Woman's Work was presented by J. J. Pipkin, as follows:

REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK.

Along the line of progress there is nothing more gratifying than Woman's Work.

The hand of God is seen in this great movement as he leads them on to victory and success

During the past year their efforts have been directed to the following objects: Christmas offering to Japan, aid to the frontier missionaries, distribution of centennial literature, and in chapel building (in Alabama) helping to educate four girls in the Havana school, Pura Cova at the Judson Institute, a boy in the boys' school in Mexico, a girl at the Madro Institute, and support

Miss Anna B. Hartwell as missionary to Canton and build up the Orphan's Home. This is being done by the Woman's Missionary and Aid Societies, and Children's Sunbeam and Band Societies.

This work from the beginning has been auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Conventions.

We have a Central Committee located in Birmingham, Ala., with Mrs. I. C. Brown, of East Lake, Ala., as Corresponding Secretary, who is constantly sending out literature *free* to the various societies acting with it. *No money* is to be sent to this committee. *Nothing is asked from the societies except a quarterly report.*

Mrs Dr. Sutton, of Orrville, Ala., is Vice President of this Association. We recommend that the pastors take a more active part in this important work.

Fraternally submitted. J. J. PIPKIN, Chairman.

After discussion of report by W. B. Crumpton, it was adopted.

34. The following report on time and place was made by Miles Hardy:

REPORT ON TIME AND PLACE.

Your Committee recommend Tuesday before the second Sunday in August, 1894, as the time; and Center Ridge Church, Carlowville, as the place. Respectfully submitted. MILES HARDY, Chairman.

J. M. Fortune moved that the report be amended so as to read: Hopewell Church, Mt. Willing, instead of Center Ridge, Carlowville, as the place.

After discussion by J. M. Fortune, J. J. Pipkin, H. S. D. Mallory and W. B. Crumpton, the report as amended was adopted.

35. Report on Apportionment was read by D. B. Edwards, Sr., and adopted, after discussion by H. S. D. Mallory.

REPORT ON APPORTIONMENT.

CHURCHES.	Missions.	Ministerial Education.	Total.
Ash Creek	$ 15 00	$ 5 00	$ 20 00
Benton	15 00	5 00	20 00
Bethany	25 00	5 00	30 00
Centre Ridge	50 00	15 00	65 00
Mt. Gilead	50 00	15 00	65 00
Hopewell	50 00	20 00	70 00
Orrville	50 00	25 00	75 00
Pleasant Hill	70 00	20 00	90 00
Providence	75 00	25 00	100 00
Selma	700 00	150 00	850 00
Sister Springs	5 00	5 00	10 00
Shiloh	70 00	10 00	80 00
Town Creek	80 00	20 00	100 00

We recommend the churches to collect and forward at least half these sums by the first of November next. D. B. EDWARDS, Chairman.

36. Report on Nominations was made by A. D. Lawhon. Adopted.

REPORT ON NOMINATIONS.

We, your committee, recommend that the Executive Board be retained. to-wit: H. S. D. Mallory, B. F. Ellis, Lewis Johnson, M. H. Traylor and J. W. Bailey.

TO PREACH NEXT YEAR.

Introductory Sermon—I. A. White.
Missionary Sermon—W. J. Elliott.
Delegate to Southern Baptist Convention—B. F. Ellis, alternate, J. J. Pipkin.
Delegates to Alabama State Convention—E. Lyon, J. P. Melton, W. D. S. Morgan. W. R. Hardy, Lewis Johnson, J. E. Barnes, D. B. Edwards, Sr., Miles Hardy, G. W. Coker, W. F. Moseley. Respectfully submitted.

A. D. LAWHON, Chairman.

37. J. F. Ellis offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

RESOLUTION OF THANKS.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association be returned to this church and community for the kind and hospitable manner in which they have entertained our body.

38. J. R. Crumpton read the Report on Finance, which appears on last page of the minutes.

The Moderator announced the following committees to report at the next session of the Association: (See inside cover.)

RECORD OF THE SELMA ASSOCIATION.

Organized in 1883 with 11 churches around Selma.

Year.	Place of Meeting.	Moderator.	Clerk.	Treasurer.
1883..	Shiloh. (organiz'd)	Ellis, B. F.....	Baber, E. F.....	Edwards. H. W.
1884..	Mt. Gilead	Baber, E. F.....	Eskew, I. R.....	Edwards, H. W.
1885 .	Center Ridge	Baber, E. F.....	Traylor, M. H..	Moseley. J. B....
1886..	Providence.....	Baber, E. F.....	Eskew, I. R.....	Ellis. J. B.....
1887..	Pleasant Hill	Mallory, H. S. D.	Eskew, I. R..	Ellis. J. F.....
1888..	Town Creek	Lawhon, A. D....	McIver, J. M..	Ellis. J. F.. .....
1889..	Orrville.	Lawhon, A. D...	McIver, J. M...	Ellis. J. F.....
1890..	Shiloh	Mallory, H. S. D.	Moseley, W. F.	Ellis. J. F.....
1891..	Mt. Gilead.....	Mallory, H. S. D.	Moseley, W. F.	Ellis. J. F.....
1892..	Providence	Ellis. B. F.....	Moseley, W. F.	Ellis. J. F.....
1893..	Bethany.....	Ellis. B. F.	Barnes, J. E	Ellis. J. F.....

STATISTICS OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS, WOMEN'S AND CHILDREN'S SOCIETIES.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Churches.	Superintendent.	Postoffice.	Officers & Teach's.	Pupils on Roll.	No. Baptisms.	CONTRIBUTIONS. Missions.	General Fund.	Orphan's Home.	Sundries.
Ash Creek	.....	.....	3	12	..	$5 00	.....	.....	.....
Benton	W. H. May	Benton	8	23	..	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bethany	A. Edwards	Collirene	4	..	..	.....	.....	.....	.....
Center Ridge	J. P. Melton	Minter	5	20	..	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Gilead	W. E. Mealing	Benton	6	30	..	6 00	.....	$2 47	.....
Hopewell	.....	.....	6	36	..	.....	.....	.....	.....
Orrville	W. F. Moseley	Orrville	6	36	..	.....	.....	.....	.....
PleasantHill	W. R. Hardy	PleasantHill	10	66	7	.....	$5 00	.....	.....
Providence	L. Johnson	Orrville	6	30	..	11 00	.....	.....	.....
Selma	Law Lamar	Selma	25	182	23	.....	.....	.....	.....
Shiloh	.....	.....	6	40	..	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sister Spring	W. D. S. Morgan	Benton	7	21	3	.....	.....	1 50	.....
Town Creek	J. F. Ellis	Polk	10	40	3	34 34	.....	.....	$23 67
Total	.....	.....	102	536	36	$56 34	$5 00	$3 97	$23 67

WOMENS' AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

President.	Postoffice.	No. Members.	CONTRIBUTIONS. Missions.	Centennial Fund.	Orph's Home.	Church Improvem'nts.	Ministerial Education.	Sunbeam Society.
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Mrs. J. C. Yates	Carlowville	15	.....	.....	..	.....	.....	.....
Mrs. L. A. Edwards	Benton	9	.....	.....	..	$84 85	.....	.....
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Mrs. B. F. Ellis	Orrville	14	$ 11 00	.....	..	.....	.....	.....
Mrs. W. R. Hardy	Pleasant Hill	..	23 47	$5 00	..	9 00	.....	$24 97
Mrs. Mary Day	Tasso	..	10 00	6 00	..	6 00	.....	.....
Mrs. B. P. Bagby	Selma	40	318 10	.....	..	.....	.....	.....
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Mrs. W. C. Stewart	Soapstone	6	24 50	.....	..	.....	$15 00	.....
.....	.....	84	$387 07	$11 00	..	$99 85	$15 00	$24 97

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT OF THE SELMA ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Ministerial Education.	Howard College.	Poor Fund.	Minutes.	Sunday School Expense.	Bible and Col. Fund.	Indigent Ministers.	Orphan's Home.	Church Building.	Church Expense.	Judson Institute.	Centennial Fund.	Paston's Salary.	Total Amt. Expended.	Value Church Property.
Ash Creek	.....	$ 5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	$ 1 00	$ 90	.....	.....	.....	.....	$ 3 35	.....	.....	$ 15 00	$ 25 25	.....
Benton	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	86 00	.....	$ 6 00	100 00	197 25	$ 1,000 00
Bethany	$ 6 95	3 50	$ 5 21	.....	$ 2 25	.....	1 50	9 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	100 00	129 66	2,500 00
Center Ridge	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	1 00	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	250 00	261 00	3,000 00
Mt. Gilead	21 73	7 70	10 14	$ 28 26	.....	.....	2 00	10 00	$ 4 60	.....	$ 2 47	$ 84 85	.....	.....	47 77	200 00	409 52	2,500 00
Orrville	40 00	.....	.....	57 50	40 00	.....	2 00	14 47	.....	.....	.....	.....	61 58	.....	61 00	300 00	576 55	3,250 00
Pleasant Hill	13 10	14 46	2 65	13 47	.....	.....	1 00	12 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	12 00	$ 6 00	14 76	200 00	289 44	2,500 00
Providence	54 42	13 03	3 87	.....	7 00	.....	3 00	10 00	1 68	.....	.....	.....	15 00	.....	31 00	400 00	539 00	2,000 00
Selma	161 85	161 85	161 85	295 00	.....	$124 36	3 00	51 20	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,331 87	.....	795 07	2,000 00	7,086 34	22,800 00
Shilo	11 30	4 78	5 72	7 50	.....	.....	1 00	2 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	48 50	.....	.....	126 45	207 50	2,000 00
Sister Springs	2 15	.....	.....	1 09	.....	.....	75	5 50	.....	.....	15 10	.....	90 00	.....	.....	61 00	175 50	700 00
Town Creek	71 34	84 24	24 52	7 95	9 67	.....	1 20	10 00	4 43	$ 5 75	.....	18 12	.....	.....	.....	136 75	373 97	750 00
Hopewell	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 75	.....
Total	$382 84	$294 36	$213 96	$410 68	$63 92	$124 39	$21 20	$137 42	$10 71	$ 5 75	$17 57	$102 97	$3,648 30	$ 6 00	$945 60	$3,889 20	$10,283 73	$43,000 00

Amount on hand at last session and since paid out by J. F. Ellis, Treasurer of Association..... 104 02

$10,387 75

J. R. CRUMPTON,
G. W. BURT,
C. C. CLEAVELAND.
Committee on Finance.

STATISTICS OF SELMA ASSOCIATION, 1893.

Church.	County.	Pastor.	Clerk.	Clerk's P. O.	No. Or'd minist'rs.	No. lic'd minist'rs.	Membership last reported.	Incr'se by				Decr'se by			Present Membership.	Preaching Sabbaths.	Report Prayer Meeting.	Reports Revival.
								Baptism.	Letter.	Experience.	Restorati'n.	Letter.	Exclusion.	Death.				
Ash Creek	Lowndes	J. J. Hagood	Ella Robinson	Gordonsville	..	..	8	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	4	....	....
Benton	Lowndes	J. M. Fortune	W. H. May	Benton	..	..	5	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	10	4	....	Yes
Bethany	Lowndes	J. M. Fortune	J. C. Fortune	Pleasant Hill	..	..	30	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	27	3	....	....
Center Ridge	Dallas	W. G. Curry	R. F. Rowell	Carlowville	..	..	42	..	..	..	..	5	2	1	34	2	No.	No.
Mt. Gilead	Lowndes	W. J. Elliott	M. H. Traylor	Benton	..	..	29	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	33	3	Yes	Natur'l growth
Hopewell	Lowndes	J. M. Fortune	W. Ray	Mt. Willing	..	..	54	9	4	..	..	3	..	..	64	.....	Yes	....
Orrville	Dallas	I. A. White	G. W. Burk	Orrville	1	1	34	8	5	..	..	2	..	1	44	1 nt&4 nts.	Yes	Yes
Pleasant Hill	Dallas	W. D. Hubbard	H. N. Crumpton	Pleasant Hill	..	..	62	8	3	..	..	2	..	..	71	4	Yes	Yes
Providence	Dallas	I. A. White	T. W. Berry	Tasso	..	..	64	3	..	..	..	4	..	..	63	2 & 4	....	Yes
Selma	Dallas	A. J. Dickinson	C. C. Cleveland	Selma	1	1	359	26	27	2	..	17	4	7	388	1, 2, 3, 4 & 5	Yes	Yes
Shiloh	Dallas	W. N. Huckabee	P. W. Johnson	Selma	..	..	80	..	..	..	..	10	1	..	69	4	....	....
Sister Spring	Dallas	J. J. Pipkin	M. L. Greenlee	Tyler	..	....	14	3	4	1	..	..	1	1	20	1	....	Yes
Town Creek	Dallas	J. J. Pipkin	R. D. Stewart	Soapstone	..	..	45	3	5	..	1	..	1	1	51	2 & 4	Yes	Yes

Selma Printing Company.

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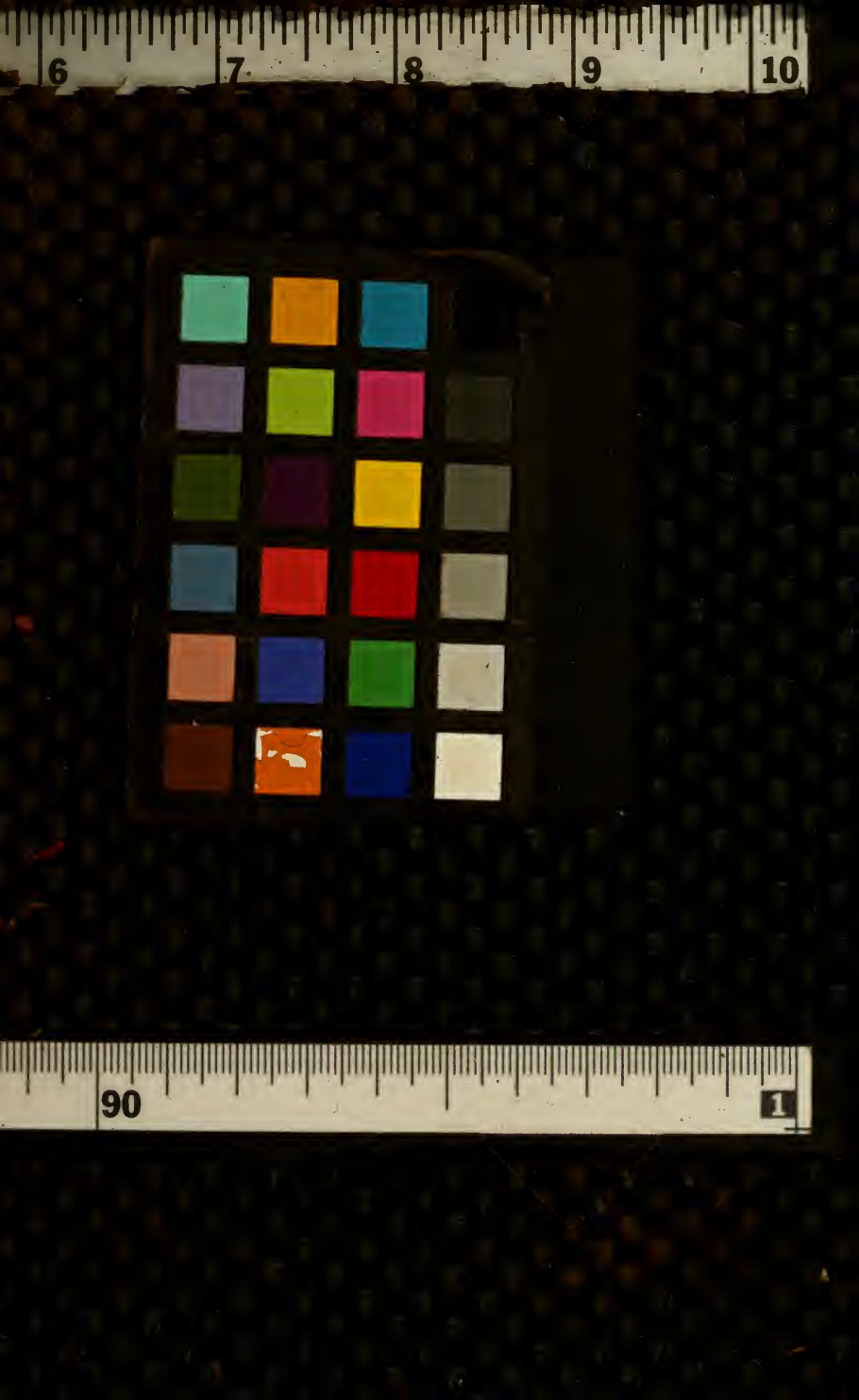
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